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When stamps were first issued they had but one purpose, and that was to pay postage. Since then authorities and populace have found many other reasons for replacing from time to time the current stamps either as a permanent or temporary change, or adding special varieties to the roster. Primary reason for new stamp issues is of course changes in postal rates or procedure. A study of the catalogue, or better yet, study of the postal history of any one country, will with very few exceptions prove that. Then politicians discovered that stamps had a political value in several ways, though often the value was indirect and trivial. Political considerations can be found as probably the second commonest motive for a stamp issue, and it is not a new motive in case any of you are beginning to think of any recent group of years, for that motive raised its head in this country as early as 1869 at least. Politically powerful groups have been a constant cause of new issues and stamp collecting had nothing to do with the results of their campaigns for issues.

Then there's the advertising value of the postage stamp. Of recent years in this country we have found many groups becoming increasingly conscious of this unexpected result of the postage stamp and consequently desirous of exploiting it for that reason. Many countries for many years have been issuing their stamps with designs calculated to advertise their nation in many ways, mainly for benefit of local industry and tourist trade. Whether any industry ever established itself in a country due to a stamp picture; or tourist bought a ticket to Ecuador because it said on a stamp it was a tourist's paradise; or coffee drinker specified a Guatemalan product because a stamp said it was the best, is not proven. It probably has happened and there could be worse mediums for advertising than the face of a stamp.

Pride of accomplishment, history or heroes accounts for many a stamp. And we doubt if stamp collectors and their pocketbooks were given much thought when many such issues have appeared. We have in mind two countries at present in the doghouse in world politics (no, their names don't start with G or I) whose new special issues often cost only a few cents. Surely philatelic revenue was not sought in these instances.

Neither are sales to philately of a new issue in the staggering sums often claimed. More than one series limited to 5,000 or 10,000 has been around for years at slight cost over face value. The total face value of an entire printing is often a trivial sum in comparison to other and easier sources of government revenue. If there are too many limited issues it is due to shortsightedness or deliberate connivance of members of our hobby to achieve that end. More than one issue has netted a country but a small sum as it passed over the post office counter, though as it was doled out by the purchasers the price increased to many times the face value. But the abuses, frequent as they may be, can hardly be termed typical of new issues.

—R. R.

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## A Philatelic Review of 1940

An Interview with Kent B. Stiles  
(Broadcast Dec. 29, 1940)

By WALTER KANER, Director

"The Stamp Man" Program Station WWRL, Woodside, L. I.

KANER—"At the close of each old year and approach of the new, stamp collectors throughout the nation look forward to the annual review of philately as presented and analyzed by the veteran stamp writer and editor, Kent B. Stiles. For the past three years stamp editor of the New York Times and for the past quarter-century stamp editor of the 'American Boy' magazine, Mr. Stiles is also the author of 'Stamps—An Outline of Philately' published by Harper Brothers, and of 'Geography and Stamps' published by McGraw-Hill.

"For many years past, Mr. Stiles, has compiled his annual philatelic review tabulating the stamps issued during the past year. With 1940 so much water under the bridge, Kent, suppose you tell us about some of the stamps that have been issued during the past year?"

STILES—"Well, Walt, you and I know that figures can be as dry as a hotel bar on Election Day. Yet, Mr. John F. Philatelist . . . the 'F' standing for 'Fanatic' . . . is definitely interested in knowing, at the close of each year, how many major and minor varieties of postage stamps have appeared during that year. They like to compare the year's stamp deluge with the total of the previous year and with the record total for any one year."

KANER—"What is that record total, Kent . . . and when?"

STILES—"1920, Walt. Stamp-issuing is now in its 101st year. Better than 3 per cent of all stamps released across the century were issued in 1920 alone. That was during the height of the political readjustments which followed the World War of 1914-18. Boundary lines were being redrawn. New governments were being created. Postage rates were being revised in line with changed economic conditions. All these and other developments resulted in a stamp output which was without precedent. 1920 brought 3,153 different stamps."

KANER—"How does that compare with 1940, just ending?"

STILES—"There's a big war going on in Europe, Walt, and it is having its repercussions from the viewpoint of the stamp-collector. As contrasted with 3,153 different stamps in 1920, only 1,857 . . . or a little more than half as many . . . have been reported for 1940. This

1,857 compares with 2,213 in 1939. So you see that there has been quite a recession."

KANER—"Why the drop, Kent? How do you account for it?"

STILES—"Let's blame Hitler, Stalin and Mussolini, Walter. Germany has swallowed Austria, Czechoslovakia, Belgium, The Netherlands, Luxembourg, Norway, part of Poland, and part of France. Stalin has absorbed Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia. Mussolini has taken over Ethiopia and Albania. All those now-conquered lands used to be prolific issuers of stamps. During 1940 no stamps at all have appeared in several of those countries, because politically the countries no longer exist. In others, the customary outputs have been reduced."

KANER—"But haven't there been a lot of stamps issued this year that were directly caused by the war, Kent?"

STILES—"Yes, Walt, there have been . . . several hundred, in fact. But not enough to make up for the non-production of others stamps which normally might have been expected."

KANER—"Many collectors regard war stamps as perhaps the most fascinating ones connected with the hobby, Kent. What have been the outstanding war stamps during 1940?"

STILES—"In my opinion, Walt, the ones which denote Germany's occupation of Alsace, Dunkerque, Lorraine, Luxembourg, The Netherlands and Poland. In some instance the invading Nazi military or civil administrations confiscated stocks of stamps in post offices in the lands invaded and overprinted them with new inscriptions; or else they had stocks of German stamps overprinted, at Berlin, with wordings signifying the occupation."

KANER—"In view of the British blockade and censorship, Kent, has it been possible for collectors in the United States to obtain these occupation issues."

STILES—"In dribbles, yes. Not all which have arrived in New York crossed the Atlantic. Some did come by air, from Lisbon in Portugal, but probably most of them crossed the far reaches of Russia, touched Japan, and came across the Pacific to San Francisco and thence to New York. All this traveling requires weeks of time, and often months elapse before we even receive news concerning such issues. Strangely enough, New York

newspaper stamp columns publish war-stamp news far in advance of the stamp magazines in England. New York has a better picture than has London of what is going on philatelically."

KANER—"Have there been war-stamps this year elsewhere than in German occupied lands, Kent?"

STILES—"Yes, scores of them—in virtually all parts of the world. Many British, French, and Dutch colonies, and some neutral countries, have had to revise postage rates upward, because of changed economic conditions, and new stamps have appeared to accommodate the new rates. In several instances it has not been possible for colonies to get fresh stocks of stamps manufactured in the mother countries, and so the colonies have had to print stamps from new plates made locally, or have had to surcharge the newly created values on remaining stocks of earlier-issued postal paper. Then, too, there are stamps, called semi-postals, issued from time to time to raise funds for various war-time charities and for the Red Cross. Also it is not unusual, as in the case of Australia, to issue stamps to commemorate the participation of local troops in the war."

KANER—"During the World War, Kent, there was, I recall, an expression 'Philately follows the flag.' Now, history seems to be repeating itself in the war in Europe."

STILES—"And not in Europe alone, Walt. There are reports that the forces of 'Free France' upon establishing a government in French Equatorial Africa, promptly issued new stamps to replace the ones which were in circulation. Most collectors wouldn't be surprised to learn, any time now, that Greece has issued special stamps to mark the invasion of Albania, and that the British forces in Italian Libya have issued occupation stamps."

KANER—"How about the United States, Kent? Has Uncle Sam done much, philatelically, during 1940?"

STILES—"Plenty, Walter. As every collector knows . . . President Roosevelt is a stamp collector . . . and is aware that stamp collecting is an educational hobby. He knows that, through studying stamp designs and inscriptions, the collector acquires essential knowledge of many subjects—history, geography, religion, biography, languages, economics . . . all the



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KANER — "Do our nation's 1940 stamps reflect those things, Kent?"

STILES — "Some of the 1940 stamps do, Walt. Forty-four stamps for normal postage use were released by the Post Office Department during 1940. Of these, thirty-five present portraits of famous American artists, authors, composers, educators, inventors, poets, scientists . . . five of each. Through five other stamps, commemoratives released on appropriate anniversary dates, the President reminded us of significant developments in the nation's history; these five stamps recall the operation of the Pony Express, the admittance of Idaho and Wyoming to statehood, the arrival of the Spanish conquistador Coronado in the American Southwest, and the adoption of the Constitutional Amendment abolishing slavery. Another 1940 commemorative recalls the founding of the Pan American Union and emphasizes the President's 'Good Neighbor' policy toward the Latin American republics. Three other special stamps were issued to publicize this nation's defense program. Walter, every one of these forty designs were selected . . . and most of them by the President personally . . . with a clearly defined purpose in Mr. Roosevelt's mind. No wonder the President is called 'America's No. 1 stamp collector.' Perhaps better than any other man in public office, he knows the true significance of philately."

KANER — "And I don't think there is any collector who will disagree with you on that point, Kent. Were there any other United States stamps issued in 1940?"

STILES — "Yes, there were twenty-four printed for revenue purposes, as for use on documents, etc. In all, Uncle Sam produced sixty-eight varieties during 1940."

KANER — "That's quite a deluge from one country, Kent. How does that 68 compare with other countries in 1940?"

STILES — "The United States takes second rank in 1940 . . . the highest ranking it has had numerically in many years. During 1940, 140 different governments issued stamps. In the forefront is Roumania, with 78 varieties, and the United States' 68 is followed by 67 from Russia, and then New Zealand, Poland under German occupation, Spain, Portugal and Costa Rica follow in that order. It is interesting to note that 34 countries in the Western Hemisphere are responsible for nearly one-fourth of the year's total."

KANER — "Thank you, Kent Stiles. Anything else?"

STILES — "Lots, Walter. But telling it would be an all-too-long bedtime story. Let's just end by commenting that philately is flourishing, in popular interest, today as never before . . . and that 1940, while relatively not important statistically, has been filled with surprises, due primarily to the war. Censorship has undoubtedly concealed other surprises. When it lifts, many, many piquant human-interest situations will be revealed to intrigue today's and tomorrow's collectors."

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War. Mafeking, a city in Bechuanaland, was besieged by the Boers on the very first day of the war, October 11, 1899, and Baden-Powell, in command of the defense forces, ably led them through the seven months of siege, until the city was relieved on May 17, 1900. Lacking a good photograph of Queen Victoria, and having a good one of the commander, the postal officer used that in lieu of the Queen's features. The stamps were made by a photographic process and in printing one sheet at least, the negative was turned around with the result the stamps had their design completely in reverse. The stamps had a limited use within the fortifications.

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"Inasmuch as we are now entering upon a new calendar year, I am going to take this opportunity of touching upon the subject of the Post Office Department's stamp program for the year 1941. It is not going to be possible for me to give you much in the way of advance information on new stamps that are likely to be issued in the next twelve months. I shall state, however, that consideration is now being given to the possibility of a new air mail series to replace the several air mail stamps now in current use. There is also a likelihood that the stamped envelope designs may be altered, since there has been no change in these since 1916. Suggestions of every conceivable type are now being received and are on file at the Post Office Department relating to subject matter for new commemorative stamps, but stamp collectors have my assurance that only those relating to affairs of outstanding national significance and interest will receive serious consideration.

"It is interesting to note that in spite of the grave international situation with which we are confronted at this time there appears to be no cessation whatsoever in the public's interest in stamps and stamp collecting. The records of orders being received at the Philatelic Agency daily as well as the continual flow of correspondence between the Department and stamp collectors throughout the country indicate that stamp collecting is ever increasing in popularity.

"This is good, not only from a postal and philatelic standpoint, but also from the standpoint of our national welfare. A nation with frequent 'time out periods' for relaxation and avocational indulgence is far less likely to feel the strain of international turmoil and strife than one committed to a single objective.

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## New Books Received

A variety of subjects is noted in the books for review the past several weeks. The first two sections of the Pan American Union's Who's Who fill a real need. The only biographical reference material on these countries has been in the main in foreign languages and the one English translation of a Swedish work is so full of errors as to be of slight use to the collector or writer desiring a high degree of accuracy. Our reviews must necessarily be brief and we try to be impartial in our comments; will publishers please note? Copies of new books sent for review should always be marked clearly as to price and where sold.

*Who's Who on the Postage Stamps of Argentina*, by Rogelio E. Alfaro, 12 pages 8½x10½, mimeographed, with inserted sheet of illustrations, paper bound, published by the Pan American Union, Washington, D. C., price 10c postpaid of the publishers or stamp and book stores. The Union's great Columbus Memorial Library has frequently been the only source in this country for biographical data of many persons depicted on Latin American stamps and to meet an apparent demand for readily accessible biographical data, the Union commenced with this publication the issuance of these biographies in alphabetical order by country. The biographies are brief, from two to three per page, but citing the outstanding events in each person's life. Inserted in the front of the booklet is a half-tone page illustrating approximately full size stamps depicting the different persons. Felipe A. Espil, Argentine Ambassador, has written the foreword, citing some of the interesting statistics, while the biographies are the work of Rogelio E. Alfaro, a native of Panama. Mr. Alfaro is a stamp collector since boyhood, a learned student of Latin American history and an associate member of the staff of the Union. Having studied for years the contents of the Union's library, Mr. Alfaro should prove a capable biographer, as he has contributed many works to

periodicals in both languages. We might mention that though mimeographed, the work is of high quality for this means of reproduction. We predict an extensive use by philately of these inexpensive but informative booklets, as but two of the 35 persons depicted can be found in standard English-language encyclopedias.

*Who's Who on the Postage Stamps of Bolivia*, by Rogelio E. Alfaro, nine pages 8½x10½, paper cover, mimeographed, illustrated by insert sheet, published by the Pan American Union, Washington, D. C., at 10c per copy postpaid. The remarks on the Argentine booklet apply to this one. Again it is noted that most of the persons depicted on Bolivian stamps are not mentioned in American encyclopedias and in fact only two of the 21 persons have been so recognized. Luis Fernando Guachalla, Minister of Bolivia, has written the foreword in which he says, "One could not get a more perfect panoramic view of Bolivian history than that afforded by a recital in chronological order, of the names and accomplishments of the twenty-one men who have been portrayed on the postage stamps of Bolivia." Most of the persons shown on Bolivian stamps are heroes of the war for independence. The biographies of the several exceptions will be found of more than ordinary interest, such as Abaroa who as a member of small force defended as the last man his town during the war with Chile in 1879; or Hernando Siles who, while still President, saw himself depicted on a stamp, but was forced into exile before a second stamp arrived from the printers. Returned to grace in 1936, the Siles stamps were issued in 1937 after being stored for the intervening years.

*1941 Cover Collecting Guide and Directory*, 36 pages 5½x8½, blue paper cover, illustrated, published by the Cover Exchange, Box 733, Scranton, Pa., price 25c of the publisher. Contains a price list of all U. S. First Days, giving dates, also the quantity of covers sent where this is known. A similar list covers in like manner the Trans-Oceanic (Clipper) first flights and their covers. There are

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**Illustrated Priced Catalog and Type Chart of A. E. F. Postmarks and Covers**, 1941 edition, 120 illustrations, paper stitched, 16 pages stitched without cover, price 40c of Delf Norona, publisher and editor, Moundsville, W. Va. The title of this publication explains its contents. The War Cover Club, it might be noted, though one "find" may alter this state of affairs completely, a point which was kept in mind by the editor. Illustrations include not only a classified arrangement of A. E. F. regular and emergency markings, but also of associated markings used abroad supplied by other governments and also the various U. S. training centers. There are many new finds possible in this field and growth of this catalogue will undoubtedly be steady. Much explanatory matter is a helpful characteristic of this catalogue.

**The Mail of the A. E. F. American Expeditionary Forces, 1917-1921**, by Hennen M. Sanford, 56 pages 7x10, illustrated, paper bound, published by the American Philatelic Society and obtainable at \$1.00 per copy from the American Philatelist, 8118 Dante Ave., Chicago, Ill. Mr. Sanford's articles on the A. E. F. mail were printed in monthly installments in the American Philatelist. Commencing just a few years after his return from service in the first World War, Mr. Sanford became interested in the soldiers' mail of the A. E. F. from a large quantity of his personal correspondence and since then has explored this field, which with very few exceptions was ignored until very recently by collectors. The history of the postal service, its method of operation, types of markings, military censor markings, stationery used, etc., are thoroughly discussed and illustrated are numerous. A table of dates of establishment and discontinuance as given by both the War and Post Office Departments is included, together with an interesting theory for variation between the two Department's records.

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**WE'VE HAD THE DARNDDEST TIME** convincing quite a few readers we have printed all the biographies of the Famous Americans. So here folks is the explanation to end all explanations, and we hope those who didn't read the previous explanations do read this one: Original official intention was to issue the groups of stamps in alphabetical order, so we started printing biographies of the Artists on November 4, 1939. Then officials changed their minds about sequence (don't ask us why, for nobody knows) and the Authors stamps were printed first. The 35 biographies appeared, one a week, up to the issue of July 13, except for the weeks of April 27 and May 4, when we temporarily ran out of biographies due to the editor being away.

**WE WERE JUST A LITTLE SKEPTICAL** at times whether there were very many last day of post office covers mailed by our readers, but a letter from Postmaster F. A. Thornbrugh, at Marshall Pass, Colo., says he had 280 covers for last day cancellation. If the hobby doesn't watch out, the next thing we know the volume of mail will induce post offices to close just so the postmasters can make one big cleanup in commissions on cancellations. Mr. Thornbrugh, by the way, carefully and neatly applied his postmarking stamp to covers.

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**CHARLES A. KENNY, WHO USED** to conduct our Washington column and later published the National Stamp News, is now with the Coast Guard at a Texas station.

**WE FAIL TO UNDERSTAND THE** attitude of some publishers of philatelic books in making limited editions with a price that prohibits purchase by a good many interested in the subject. We always thought books were published to read, not to be collected as scarce issues. A good book deserves the largest possible circle of readers.

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the various colonies to be cancelled. The one from Porto Novo, capital of Dahomey, came back in 1916 with a note from the postmaster: "I am herewith returning your cover as requested. I am extremely interested in the Red Cross stamp—it is the first I have ever seen."

• The Victoria Falls pictorials of Rhodesia were prepared in 1905 to commemorate the opening of the Victoria Falls bridge. The bridge had been completed in April, the stamps issued in July, but the ceremonial opening did not take place until September 12, when Professor Darwin, President of the British Association then visiting the country, officially opened the bridge. A special cancel was used on that date.

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• The large quantities of imperforate, inverted center and similar Liberian varieties now coming from abroad in large lots, are said to be unissued remainders which came on the market from a stock once retained at the London, England, Consulate.

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• The A. I. F. Defense Force military post offices are selling Australian stamps for use on mail sent by the soldiers. Their military post offices are established in Egypt, Palestine and according to news reports, in Libia as well.

• Brazil's series commemorating Portuguese independence was produced at a private printing plant as well as at the Mint. The Mint printed the 1200 reis value, the firm of Guanahara, Ltd., producing the other four values.

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"We have always thought that trying to please the public through the theatrical field was tough, but we are now almost ready to believe that cover collectors take the cake, or might I suggest—arsenic."—Theatre Manager and "Gossip" Dedication Columnist Ken Tallmadge after trying hard to please.

"As the P. O. D.'s own definition of commemorative stamp, is one that celebrates the one hundredth (or longer) anniversary of some famed historical event or landmark, I doubt if the 'Slavery stamp' or the 'Defense stamps' can be by the farthest stretch of the philatelic (?) imagination, be classed as commemoratives . . ."—Evangelist-Columnist Rev. Van Voorhis in Western Stamp Collector forgets the official announcement of the recent 50th, 75th etc. commems.

"The Idaho stamp . . . shows the state capitol at Boise, a building modelled closely on the Capitol at Washington . . . An imitation of an imitation, it cannot be regarded as very happy, and it seems out of place in the Wild West . . ."—Britain's "Stamp Magazine" announces a new issue from the rootin-tootin stage coach six-shooter country (they think!).

"The surest way to make a postage stamp stick is to put the wrong address on the envelope."—Asia Stamp Journal.

"What this country needs is more stamp collectors and fewer collectors of glue with stamps on the back."—Frank W. Lynes in Stamp Times.

"The Wyoming stamp is frankly comic. It shows the state seal, which ranks artistically with a working men's friendly society or a prosperous brewery of the Victorian period."—The foreword to four paragraphs of comment by London's "Stamp Magazine" on what they further state is "one of the worst stamps America has ever put out."

"It would be just fine to be able to say to you that your new Postmaster General is an enthusiastic and ardent collector, but frank confession is good for the soul, so, honestly and apologetically, I say to you I am not a collector."—Postmaster General Frank C. Walker during a January 4 broadcast.

• A collector stopped into a store and asked the prices on large variety collections.

"The prices are five dollars and up," said the dealer.

"Isn't that kind of high?" said the collector.

"That being the case, the price is five dollars down," replied the dealer who had had experience.

## Guatemalan Postal History

In the very thorough book, "Guatemala, Past and Present," by Chester Lloyd Jones, Professor of Economic and Political Science, University of Wisconsin, there is an interesting section on the postal service and its arrangements. The book was published by the University of Minnesota Press, Minneapolis, Minn., 1940. The item, called to our attention by Joseph Josselson, is as follows:

"Postal facilities before 1871 were of the most rudimentary sort, 'Vicious, incomplete and null.' Only 102,089 pieces of mail were handled in that year. As the Liberal governments became better established and the service itself was improved, postal traffic increased and in 1874 it had reached 178,645 pieces. In



the latter year 12 iron mail boxes were put up in the capital to collect correspondence. Later others were imported of the style used in the United States. Still later the government issued envelopes, bands and postal cards but they did not come into use until after Guatemala joined the Universal Postal Union on March 15, 1881. Thereafter growth of the service was steady and rapid. In 1893 there were 149 post offices, which handled 9,106,712 pieces, a total much increased by the practice of carrying the periodicals published by Guatemalan and other Central American publishers without charge. By 1910 direct mails to the United States and Europe were being sent once a week and by the end of the year twice, though service to Central American ports continued to be infrequent. Later years have seen still further expansion, reaching a peak in 1930 of 31,803,799 pieces received, sent and forwarded, a total which fell in later years and stood at 15,835,852 in 1936. Even at present the postal facilities in country districts are very simple. Of the post offices functioning, about 350 in all, over 200 operate *ad honorem*. Even some salaried offices have been established on fincas where they serve practically only the plantation. Inter-station service is in some cases carried on without cost to the government by interested individuals, and that between fairly important towns is maintained by Indian runners."

Supplementing the Indian runners, the government recently inaugurated an express motorcycle service and issued special stamps for use on such mails. It will be noted in Professor Jones' article that the rise in importance of the postal serv-

ice coincides with the coming to power of the Liberal Party in 1871, whose most famous chief was President J. Rufino Barrios, builder of the framework of the present day government.

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## Bogus Packet Covers Appearing

Bogus packet covers recently made their appearance at a midwest bourse and more can be expected to appear elsewhere, Henry A. Meyer of Evansville, Ind., advises. The covers would not deceive collectors familiar with genuine river boat markings, but will and probably have deceived collectors who have seen but few of these highly prized covers. One of the better known students of these markings, D. A. Somdal, 801 Monrovia St., Shreveport, La., offers to examine covers collectors may have purchased during the last year or so, if they will send return postage and registration with their covers. It is believed that the most recent lot of these covers bear markings copied from illustrations in a recent publication by Eugene Klein.

• Mail service to Lake Tahoe takes three times as long in those seasons of the year when motor vehicle cannot be used. There are many places in the U. S. where carrier service is by such primitive methods as afoot, or by mule.

• Paper watermarked "Z. A. R." was prepared for use by the South African Republic, but was never taken into use and was used privately for printing ordinary commercial announcements, says a writer in the *South African Philatelist*.

• The territory governed by the British South Africa Co. officially became "Rhodesia" on May 3, 1895, but postage stamps did not bear the new name until 1909, which caused much confusion in foreign postal services, regarding origin of the stamps.

• In the sheets of 240 of the King Edward VIII 10 centimos Great British Offices in Morocco for use in Spanish territory, 39 of the overprints were 15 3/4 mm. long and the balance of the sheet 14 3/4 mm.

• Single copies are known of the Re-issue in 1875 of the 15c 1869, the stamps being imperforate horizontally. No unsevered pairs proving the variety were retained.

## Costa Rica Charges 10%

C. C. Cooper of Los Angeles advises that the Costa Rican Philatelic Agency charges an additional 10% over face value for its stamps, which was not known to us or stated upon the list of the Agency. Mr. Cooper also learned that, despite his order being Number 2, the 5 and 10 colonies air mail stamps had been sold out.

• The scene on the 3d Southern Rhodesia commemoratives is based on a sketch made at the scene of the treaty signing by one of the party of four white men who ventured into the armed native camp. Cecil Rhodes led the daring party.

• The international city of Tangier at one time had five postal services supplying the inhabitants, French, German, Spanish, Sultanate, and British. Only the Spanish functioned at the end of 1940.

• Just as soon as we find time we're going to organize a campaign among automobile owners, for sending letters of congratulation to the newly-appointed postmaster at Harrogate, Tenn. His name is Park A. Carr.—*Cleveland Press*.

• About a year ago a New York Stamp dealer received a shipment of United States stamps. The lot consisted of 1,000 very common stamps such as 1c-2c-3c issues. The sender stated:

"I do not care for money for these stamps, but you can send either a piano accordion or a saxophone." The stamp dealer went down town and bought a box of aspirin!

• The United States has commemorated the independence of two other republics with commemorative stamps, the 2c 1927 for the Sesquicentennial of Vermont and that of 1836 for the centenary of Texan independence.

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## Auction Dates Changed

Due to delays in shipping the lots from England, Harmer, Rooke & Co. have been forced to change the dates of the auction advertised in our columns. The January 8-9 sale of British Colonials and wholesale material will take place on February 6 and 7.

• The refugee Montenegrin government while at Bordeaux, France in 1916 used French stamps overprinted with inscription "S. P. de M." Due to their unofficial nature they are unlisted by most catalogues.

• "I haven't much time for meals," said the stamp dealer, "so I generally have a bite at the counter."

"That's pretty tough, I should think," said the youthful stamp collector the dealer was serving.

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**ARGENTINE REPUBLIC**—Official Stamp. Under-noted stamp, overprinted in two lines in black ink "SERVICIO OFICIAL", across the bottom portion of the portrait. Wmkd., "RA" in Sun multiple, perf. 13:

A130—2c. dark brown  
(H. G. Spanton)

**JUGOSLAVIA**—Air Post Stamps. Horizontal rectangular format, lithographed, unwmkd., perf. 12½:

AP10—40d. Prussian green & pale green  
(Cathedral of Zagreb)

AP11—50d. slate blue & gray blue  
(Bridge at Belgrade)  
(R. Roberts)

**LUNDY ISLAND**—Red Cross Locals. While the stamps of this island are not included in the standard stamp catalogs, we feel it well to note them here, so that our readers may know what they are when they come across them. The stamps are purely a local issue and pay postage only from the island to the mainland of Britain. To be delivered further the letter must bear the necessary postage in British stamps. The most recent issue of this island has been overprinted "RED CROSS SURTAX" and a Red Cross. The values so treated are ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 9 and 12 puffs. Each stamp was sold at double its face value, the surtax going to the Red Cross Fund. 5,000 complete sets were so overprinted.  
(Whitfield, King & Company)

**RUSSIA**—Agricultural Fair Commemoratives. First four values are horizontal, rest are vertical format. Borders are all light green. Centers are multi-colored and show views of Fair buildings. 17 values comprise the set: 10k., 15k., 30k. (13 different designs), 50k. and 60k.  
(The Stamp Mart)

**Pictorial**. Another in the set chronicled by us October 12th. This set was issued to mark the 2nd All-Union Physical Culture Day:  
A370—1r. grayish green

(Throwing the Grenade)

Type of 1929-31. Typographed, unwmkd., perf. 12:

A103—1k. dull orange

**Commemoratives**. Honoring the Centenary of the birth of Peter Ilich Tchaikovsky, noted composer. Upright rectangular format, typ-

graphed, unwmkd., perf. 12:

A371—15k. Prussian Green (Tchaikovsky Museum at Klin)

A372—20k. brown (Peter Ilich Tchaikovsky)

A373—30k. dark blue

A374—50k. rose lake

A375—60k. red (Tchaikovsky in another pose)  
(Scott's Monthly Journal)

**SIAM**—Additional Values. In the new series, the first value of which was chronicled by us October 8, 1940. Typographed, unwmkd., perf. 12½:

A31—2s. green (Chakri Palace)

A31—5s. dark violet

A31—10s. red

A31—15s. dark blue  
(R. Roberts)

A cliche of the 5s. was included accidentally in the form of the 3s. and 91 sheets had been sold over the P.O. counter before the error was discovered. It was removed by the authorities from all sheets sold subsequently and should therefore be rare.

(Stamp Collecting)

**Parcel Post Stamps**. Air Post Stamps of 1925 overprinted in blue or red in native characters, diagonally, unwmkd., perf. 14:

AP1—15s. carmine

AP1—25s. dark blue  
(Scott's Monthly Journal)

**SWITZERLAND**—Pro-Juventute 1940 Issue. Upright rectangular format, perf. 11½:

5c. plus 5c. deep green (Gottfried Keller)

10c. plus 5c. sepi (girl of Thurgau)

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A number of British Colonial overprints which have been caused by the war are suddenly appearing in the city in very small quantities. The issues are from Bahamas, Bermuda and Ceylon. The Bermuda stamp was the result of a heavy Christmas demand and no supplies from London; Bahamas' issue was the result of shortage and change in rate, and Ceylon the result of covers carried on the maiden voyage of the American Export liner "Exhibitor." I can give no definite information about the scarcity of these overprints at the present time because of the existing export laws of mint stamps which exist in the British Colonies.

The Panama (limited) Issue in honor of their constitution had the honor of being the first 1941 issue to be received in New York. This issue while being limited to 7,500 sets shows evidence of being a hasty job. Some of the overprinting is not legible, and wholesalers believe that many sets were destroyed because of this extremely bad job and the final number of complete sets will be much lower than the announced printing.

French Colonial stamps are continuing the fine showing which they started after the capitulation of France. Wholesalers report most of their orders are for these stamps. It seems Christmas shop-

ping and speculators have depleted the retail stocks, but there is no apparent wholesale shortage at this time.

The Equitable Stamp Company of this city which specializes in British Colonial Issues, announced that they have purchased a fine and valuable collection of these issues. The collection has a value of over \$12,000.00 and contains many scarce mint and used items.

## Ohlman Galleries Sale Features Southern Collection

Among the outstanding items to be sold at Ohlman's Galleries January 24 auction will be an unused copy of the 5c Knoxville Confederate Provisional brick red, one of the more important Confederate rarities, listed at \$1,000 in Scott's. This is one of numerous choice items in the collection of a prominent Southern collector which comprises the bulk of the sale. Other outstanding items in the lots will be a copy of the Confederate 10c "frame line" showing frame line on all four sides—a very scarce item; the 5c Memphis provisional envelope; and many U. S. including a pair of 10c 1847, an unused 1c 1857 Type II with rare relief variety; a mint 90c 1869; the 7c Special Printing of 1880 and State Department dollars.

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Jan. 25 — 32nd Sale, U. S. and foreign. Cosmos Stamp Co., 116L Nassau St., New York, N. Y.

Feb. 3—Mail Auction. H. Wendt, Waverly, Iowa.

Feb. 6-7 — British Colonies, collection and wholesale. Sale postponed from January 8-9. Harmer, Rooke & Co., 551 Fifth Ave., New York City.

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**HOLIDAY SPECIAL**—To collectors interested in a bargain, we offer complete long set Newfoundland Coronation for only \$1.00, approvals included. Standard Stamp Co., P. O. Box 122, Saskatoon, Sask., Canada.

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**SALE FEBRUARY 3RD.** Fresh supply to be sold. Cat. free. H. Wendt, Waverly, Iowa. (38)

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**YOU DON'T NEED MONEY** for your British Coronations. Will trade them to you complete 202 varieties superb mint for \$25.00 1941 Scott's Catalog value of well centered, full gummed U. S. Commemoratives. No straight edges. Garland Ellis, Electric Building, Fort Worth, Texas. (38)

**LATIN AMERICAN EXCHANGE:** Send me 200 different foreign or U. S. and 3c and I'll send 200 South and Central America. Airmails included if you do. Lord, 260 Hill Dr., Glendale, Calif. (40)

## FOR SALE — FOREIGN

**500 DIFFERENT 60c.** Want lists filled. Overbeck, Freeport, New York. (tf\*)

**50% SCOTT** general want lists filled. Also semi-postals, etc. Liberty Stamp Co., 305 West 42nd Street, New York. (39)

**250 UNSORTED NEWFOUNDLAND** and Canada. 25c. Rare value. Marigold Stamps, Toronto, Canada.

**ECUADOR PACKETS.** Real values. 10 different 8c; 25 different 18c; 50 different 41c; 100 different 85c. No approvals. Stamp Fair, 3042 (L) Tioga Parkway, Baltimore, Maryland.

## FOR SALE — U. S.

**1941 PLATE NUMBER BLOCK** price list free. Pichel, 107 East Fourth St., Cincinnati, Ohio. (44)

**ZEPP SETS:** Fine mints \$28.00, used \$24.00. R. E. Jewells, Tamaqua, Penna. (38\*)

**FARLEY-ICKES**—(Gummed Officially) set 1c to 10c Parks Blocks \$6.40. Pairs \$3.20. Charles Demuth, 644 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, N. Y. (\*)

**FARLEY PARKS ARROW BLOX**, mint set \$3.50. R. Becker, Box 427, Summit, New Jersey.

**SUPER FAMOUS AMERICANS** 7 diff. sets 65c; any set 10c; blocks 50c. L. B. Tuthill, R. 11, Box 371A, Lemay, Mo. (42)

**MINT SET PILGRIM** \$1.35; Huguenot \$1.20; Lexington \$0.80; Kansas \$3.90; 212, 231, 295, 323, 375, 390, 398, 501—\$1.50. C. Wilkin, Walkkill, N. Y.

**STARTLING OFFER IN SETS**—Edison 8c; Olympic 6c. Postage Dues ¼c to \$5.00, 10c. Parks 25c. Army and Navy 10c. Aeronautics 25c. All 80c. Mint stamps accepted. Roy Lloyd, 3211 Brunswick, Drexel Hill, Pa. 40\*

## MIXTURES

**MALAYAN MIXTURE.** At least 50 kinds—250—\$1.00; 550—\$2.00; 1,250—\$4.00. Teo-Beng-De (APS) 42G Jahudi Road, Penang, Straits Settlement. (42\*)

**MIXTURES!** ¼ lb. old United States off paper \$8.00; ¼ lb. Foreign \$2.00; ¼ lb. British Empire \$3.50; 1 lb. Canada \$2.00. Mixture list free. House of Stamp Mixtures, 61 Columbia, Albany, N. Y. (tf\*)

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**UNITED STATES Famous American mixture**, only good stamps included, and nicely assorted. 400 for \$1.00. Demers Stamp Co., R.F.D., Sanford, Maine. (40)

**555 UNITED STATES MIXED**, including new \$1.00 stamp, 25c. Benler, 2013 Emerson St., Dept. 1, Denver, Colo. (39)

**COMMEMORATIVE MIXTURE.** Does not include 1c, 2c Bi-centennials, 3c Chicago, 3c NRA, no damaged. Includes 4c, 5c, 10c series. 500—\$1.75; 1,000—\$3.20; 5,000—\$14.00. Super Stamps, 799 Broadway, New York City.

## PUBLICATIONS

**CANADIAN STAMPS** by Hamilton, 116 pages \$1.50. Specialized stamp literature sold. Definitely state your interest. Roamin, 3622 South Union, Chicago, Ill. (tf\*)

## RARE COINS

**FREE!** Foreign coin, banknote and large \$5 paper illustrated coin catalogue to approval service applicants. Send 3c postage. Tatham Colnoe, Springfield, 110, Mass. (tf\*)

**ILLUSTRATED Retail Coin Catalogue** 10c (refunded). 3000 quotations. James K. Randall, 37 West Van Buren, Chicago. (46)

**WHITMAN'S COIN FOLDERS.** Get our prices. Coins, stamps, bought, sold. Kraus, 411 W. Juneau, Milwaukee, Wis.

## WANTED

**FAIR PRICES** paid for collections, accumulations, U. S., Foreign. Minimum shipment \$10.00. Walter Galsger, 200 Broadway, New York. (tf\*)

**U. S. POSTAGE ¼c to \$1.00 value inc.** 6c Air Mail, 10c Special Delivery 90c on the \$1.00. Also used Commemoratives, precancelled, collections. Prompt remittance. Langer, 761 Sixth Ave., New York. (tf\*)

**UNUSED POSTAGE WANTED**—1c-3c, 95%; 4c-6c, 92%. Gardner, 30-72, 48th Street, Astoria, L. I., N. Y. (39)

**PHILATELIC BOOKS**, bound volumes of old stamp periodicals, and other philatelic material wanted for our reference library. Linprint Products will be exchanged for items not already in our library. Write before sending. Linn's Weekly Stamp News, 531 N. Park St., Columbus, Ohio.

**MINT U. S. Commemorative and Exhibition** sheets needed. Prompt cash. Kovens, 3046 Tioga Parkway, Baltimore, Maryland. (42)

**WILL EXCHANGE STAMPS** and covers for old Ohio railroad material. Want passes, used or unused tickets, stock certificates, bonds, letters, maps, photos or any other related material. Submit with your price or state what is desired in exchange. R. W. Richardson, c/o Linprint, Inc., 631 N. Park St., Columbus, O.

## WHOLESALE

**1946 WHOLESALE CATALOGUE FREE**—Eighty pages and Monthly Supplements. Empire Stamp, Dept. 10, Toronto, Canada. (tf\*)





Items concerning U. S. stamps, minor varieties, cancellations and unusual postmarks should be directed attention of "U. S. Notes." If stamps are not sent, be sure to describe fully and accurately. We do not list plate varieties unless actually seen as many ink varieties are mistakenly thought to be plate varieties.

The recent find of a sheet of 6c air mail with vertical perforations only on part of the sheet and then diagonally, recalls another variety, a photo of which is in our files. This is a block of 15 (5x3) of the 2c Red Cross 1931 issue which was from the lower left corner of a sheet with sheet margins at bottom and left side. The vertical perforations are normal, but evidently just before the horizontal perforations were placed, the sheet was torn and two entire stamps and portions of two others of the bottom row were folded over at such an angle that when unfolded, the horizontal perforations with exception of two holes are missing between two pairs and the vertical perforations are double, one at a slight angle. Presumably the one pair was never accorded catalog recognition due to the extra vertical perforations, though they are nearer vertical than diagonal. A Cleveland collector had this block.

U. S. students may look forward to a great step in recording, where it will be readily available, a wealth of U. S. material. For the Philatelic Research Laboratories, Inc., have proposed to record by means of photographs the huge collection of the late Edward S. Knapp, now being readied for sale by auction this Spring. In addition to providing a record of value to research workers, the records will give added security to collectors against counterfeits of several kinds. Further announcement will be made later by the Laboratories.

On page 127 of the Dec. 21st LWSN we left uncompleted a paragraph dealing with the letter "F" next to top right plate numbers. While it is true the "F" was dropped in 1933 in favor of letters "CS" indicating plate had been chromium plated, the "F" was returned and the CS dropped in a few months and to this date will be found on flat plates. Thanks to reader James MacKenzie, Jr., for calling our attention to the error.

We hope no reader was led to believe his "F" top plate numbers are rare varieties as a result of the item.

Supplies of postal cards are frequently shipped from the Government Printing Office at Washington in carload lots as freight. Often smaller shipments are made in postal storage cars when mail load is light and space is available for the large packing cases.



By Kenneth M. Gierhart  
Baltimore, Ohio

#### BRITISH PRECANCELS

A note from a reader asking if there were any British precancels. Not to the best of my knowledge is there any precancel such as we know them nor of the numerical kind such as Canada uses. There are a few printed cancellations more on the order of the Battleship revenue precancels on British stamps. I noted an item the other evening on a one-penny Edward VII. The legend was printed in about three sizes of 6 point Gothic. "Prudential" at the top, "Assur. Coy. Ltd." at the bottom. No doubt there are others similar to these. If there are any readers interested we will list other items when submitted.

#### COIL PAIR SALE

The Specialized coil pair collection of the late Francis Engle of Elizabeth, N. J., is being offered at auction by Herman Herst, Jr., New York dealer. The collection lists almost \$2,000 by the Mitchell-Hoover catalog and contains none of the real recent items, all being obsolete. The collection will be split in three lots and offered in that manner.

#### NAVAL COVERS

It was my privilege the other evening to view selected items from a very large and complete naval cover collection. After being introduced to all the ramifications of naval covers I now feel sure we precancel collectors can look the world straight in the face. Not wishing to detract or discount the beauty and interest and work it has taken to assemble such a fine collection I wonder what the fraternity would say if I showed them a precancel from Baltimore and told them "now that's not Baltimore at all but BASIL." "Basil has no cancellation but the next place to it, which is Baltimore, has." So there you are. Well!!!! as Jack Benny would say. If I tried that I would be going down Route 33 so fast I wouldn't have time to "holler" hello to my friends in Lancaster. (Athens obvious destination.)

#### DECEMBER BUREAU SHIPMENTS

No new towns.

New Presidential items:

Wilmington, Del., 3c coil; Miami, 1½c ord.; Grand Rapids, 1½c ord.; Westfield, N. J., 1c coil; Pittsburgh, 2c coil; Milwaukee, 2c coil.

#### DEFENSE ITEMS

A long list that just about completes the 1c using cities. Here are the new Ohio items, Troy and Youngstown. The first 2c value from Minneapolis. 35 items in all and with the ones already mentioned leave little to be accounted for. You can put almost any city that used

the 1c Presidential on your DEFENSE want list. (Complete list was supplied, I am deleting it. K.M.G.)

—Courtesy Rolston Lyon.

#### NEW OFFICES AUTHORIZED TO USE PRECANCELS

Dawson, Ala.; Ross, Calif.; Bowen, Ill.; Iuka, Ill.; Millbrook, Ill.; Sesser, Ill.; Hanlontown, Iowa; Runnells, Iowa; Gray, Ky.; Sonora, Ky.; East Wilton, Maine; Cohasset, Mass.; Northbridge, Mass.; Westport Point, Mass.; Mio, Mich.; Scandia, Minn.; Molino, Mo.; Poplar, Mont.; Swanton, Nebr.; Whitefield, N.H.; Port Reading, N. J.; Fishkill, N. Y.; Mecklenburg, N. Y.; Hanks, N. Dak.; Sullivan, Ohio; Sayre, Okla.; Halsey, Ore.; Lahaska, Pa.; Saltito, Pa.; Baytown, Texas; Dorchester, Texas; Blue River, Wis.; Circleville, W. Va.

—Rolston Lyon.

#### Herst to Auction Buro Coils

The recent passing of Francis Engle of Elizabeth, N. J., meant little to modern collectors but old-timers will recall him as one of the early collectors to stress condition in stamps. Mr. Engle had commenced collecting in 1879, and though he had once sold his collection and started again, at time of his death his philatelic holdings included an unusually fine U. S. general collection and one of Bureau Print Precancel coils about 90% complete. His estate will sell the collections at public auction next month through Herman Herst, Jr., 116 Nassau St., New York City, of whom catalogues are free upon request.

• According to an article by Manley L. Behrens in the *Precancel Bee*, 7139 towns have precanceled stamps and used an average of more than two types of overprint in doing so, for a known total of 15,215 precancel types.

• Despite the night bombing raids, British postal officials planned to resume night sorting of mail at London the first of this year. As a result of rearrangement of transportation schedules letters posted up until about noon or shortly afterward will be delivered throughout England by the first delivery the following morning.

#### HERE'S A PRECANCEL GIFT

Send \$1.00 for 300 different buroprints, worth \$1.00; 100 diff. City Types, worth 25c, and I will give you \$1.00 worth of precancels to be selected by yourself from approvals. Be Wise. Send at once to

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#### PRECANCELS FOREIGN

All kinds of Precancels at low prices on approval. Breaking up my personal Foreign Collection. 3c brings nice premium to applicants of either foreign or Precancels. Name your poison.

K. M. GIERHART

Baltimore, Ohio

## Stamp Club Activities

**American Postage India Society**—This society uses from its Milwaukee headquarters a special postage meter slogan. It was organized in 1935 to promote interest in collecting of postage meter and permit machine indicia. Further information may be obtained of the Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Emeline T. Meisel, Clintonville, Wisc.

**Boston, Mass.**—The Suburban Stamp & Curio Club meets second, fourth and fifth Thursdays at the Hotel Lennox. Their monthly mimeographed club paper, "The Suburbanite," mentions a complete new set of officers elected in December and the January 23rd meeting will be a "Surprise" one. Arthur Grellier, the club's editor, gave a talk on Hawaiian stamps over WRUL on October 19 which was so well received it has been reprinted.

**Chicago, Ill.**—The Chicago Precancel Club elected officers for the year on Jan. 3, with Ben Reeves as President. The club meets the first and third Fridays at Hotel Sherman, 8 P. M.

**Columbus, Ohio**—C. Wright Ritchell, designer of many cachets for naval covers, exhibited covers from his collection at the January 3rd meeting of the Columbus Philatelic Club at the Hotel Chittenden.

**Detroit, Mich.**—The Wayne Stamp Society will have their 14th annual exhibition at the St. Clair Community Center, 4535 Fairview Ave., Detroit, January 30. Copies of the exhibition labels are obtainable if postage is sent Ward H. Alkema, 1410 Lapepointe, Detroit.

**Pottstown, Pa.**—March 26th to 30th are the dates of the eighth annual exhibition of the Pottstown Stamp Club. Will be held at City Hall Auditorium. The large philatelic label issued at 5c (plus return stamped envelope) depicts the home of Arthur St. Clair, first governor of the Northwest Territory. Labels obtainable of Harold W. Rohrbach, Secy.-Treas., R. D. 3, Pottstown.

**War Cover Club**—Number One of the first volume of the War Cover Club Bulletin has been received. A mimeographed production, it will appear monthly or as often as necessary and subscriptions are 50c per year. George C. Hahn, 835 Williamson Bldg., Cleveland, O., is editor. New types of censor markings are reported in this first number. Readers interested in joining the War Cover Club may inquire of Mr. Hahn. Dues are \$2.00 per year.

• On the third anniversary (December 28, 1940) of the crash of the Cuban plane of the Columbus Memorial Pan American Flight, the Pan American Colombian Society mailed the 800 envelopes prepared for the original flight but not used at that time.

• On January 2 the Euclid Center Rural Station, Benton Harbor, Mich., opened for business and L. C. Butgereit of that city sends a first day card bearing the postmark.

## Office Location Changed

The Post Office Department has announced that the branch of the New York post office established on January 6 for American Forces in Newfoundland will be located temporarily on board the Army Transport "Alexander" instead of the "America" as first intended. The office will remain on board the "Alexander" until suitable quarters are available on shore at site of construction of the defense base.

• The January 24th Ohlman sale includes a copy of Philippine 1c Postage Due used to pay regular postage on a cover dated Sept. 13, 1902. For a period of 15 days that month these stamps were used as ordinary postage stamps.

• The post offices of Bend, South Dakota, and Eolian, Texas, will close on January 31.

## No Maori Mustaches

The 1/4d New Zealand Centennial stamp, in use the past year, is incorrect in depicting two of the Maoris wearing mustaches, a reader of *Gibbons' Stamp Monthly* claims. It is claimed that prior to British settlement the natives wore no mustaches, and in fact removed all hair from the body except the eyebrows, eyelashes and that on top of the head. Another error in a series noted for several such mistakes in the various designs.

• Gold Coast prepared but never issued a 10 shilling stamp of the King Edward VII design of 1902 with multiple watermark.

• A copy of the 5 shilling Southern Rhodesia first issue printed in blue and light blue, a definite error and not a color changing, brought \$35 at a November Harmer, Rooke & Co. sale in London.

## U. S. SPECIALIST PAGES

We are now printing the first four groups of U. S. Specialist Album Pages. These pages are now being offered at a bargain price as a part of the

### Linprint \$10,000.00 Sales Campaign

At the low price quoted here, you will find these a remarkable bargain and something that will interest you. Also bear in mind that for those who place an advance order we will give you free with the four sets of pages, a handsome three ring binder for your pages, thus providing a complete album. The regular price of this complete binder and four sets of pages is around \$1.75, but for those who place orders before January 27, we will supply the complete outfit for only \$1.00 plus postage on mailing 2 pound parcel.

### Read This Description of the Pages

One set of pages for the **Defense Stamps**—There will be a handsome illustrated title page in two colors. A page for the singles and blocks, in two colors. This page will have the spaces for the stamps printed with heavy black border that will run under the stamps, producing that attractive mat effect. Appropriate wording will be on the page. There will be three pages for covers, attractively designed and printed in two colors. Then there will be seven more pages, each with a quadrille ground work, and with a pretty red border line and wording, etc., in another color, making a three color page. These seven pages will be useful for electric eye pieces, plate numbers, cancellations, etc. The whole set will be a fine lot for a small specialized collection of these popular stamps.

One set of pages for the **Pony Express Stamp**, one set of pages for the **New York World's Fair Stamp** and one set of pages for the **Golden Gate International Exposition Stamp**. For each of these stamps we will issue a set of pages similar in design to the above, except that there will be for each stamp a handsome two color title page, a page for single and block of four and a page for covers, then three additional quadrille pages in three colors, for plate numbers, cancels, etc., that will fit well into a small specialized collection of these stamps.

Thus we offer for the **Defense Stamps** a set of 12 pages, for the **Pony Express stamps** a set of six pages, for the **New York World's Fair stamp** a set of 6 pages, and for the **Golden Gate Exposition stamp** a set of 6 pages. These four sets of pages will have a regular retail value of \$1.25. They will be well worth it too for the color printing will make beautiful pages and the pages are all to be on a heavy weight white antique album paper, heavy weight such as is used in our famous **Black Pages** or our **Heavy White Pages** or the **Silver Streak Cover pages**. All 8 1/2 x 11 inch size, punched for a standard 3 ring binder.

After these pages are once introduced we will propose to issue similar sets for all the popular commemoratives as they appear and if there is a demand for same we will produce similar pages for past issues.

Surely, you will want a set of these beautiful pages and just to help get the pages introduced, we are making an offer that everyone should jump at.

Just think—with each order for this initial group of four beautiful sets of pages with a regular retail price of \$1.25 we will give

### FREE—A THREE RING BINDER

to hold these pages. The binder is of heavy stiff back, imitation leather finish and is certainly an attractive one which will house your pages and thus provide you a complete and handsome album.

SEND YOUR ORDER NOW. Send only \$1.00 plus postage for mailing 2 pounds.

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